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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to 8/9/06.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-37.
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some* c) None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____.
3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____.	7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material	8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
	9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-37 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: with respect to claims 1, 5, 10, 13, 25, 32 and 35, in addition to other limitations in the claims, the prior art of record fails to teach, disclose or render obvious the applicant's invention as claimed, particularly the feature describing:

-claims 1, 25 and 32, combinational logic circuitry having at least first, second, and third serial stages, multiplexer circuitry for producing a carry out signal by selecting one of the carry in signal and an output signal of one of the stages of the combinational logic circuitry as the carry out signal.

-claim 5, a first path for selectively conveying, at a relatively high speed, signal information indicative of the carry in signal to a lead for signal information indicative of the carry out signal; and a second path for selectively conveying, at less than the relatively high speed, signal information indicative of the second of the combinational signals to the lead for signal information indicative of the carry out signal.

-claim 10, the third stage has first and second combinational signal outputs, and wherein the XOR circuitry logically combines the first combinational signal output with the carry in signal to produce a sum out signal.

-claim 13, first XOR circuitry logically combines the carry in signal with the first combinational signal output and second XOR circuitry logically combines the carry in

signal with the second combinational signal output to produce two further signals for application to the third stage.

-claim 35, circuitry for producing a carry out signal from at least the carry in signal and signal information from the source stage, wherein the circuitry for producing is connected so that the carry out signal is based in part on a third stage input signal.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anh Q. Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-1813. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:00-5:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rexford Barnie can be reached on 571-272-7492. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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